

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Jimmy Lawrence Hollingsworth,
et al.

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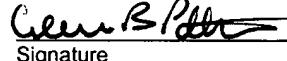
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 18, 2005

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 18, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/MRKS/0009.C1/WBP in the amount of \$50.00 for 1 additional claim in excess of 20, and for any fees, including extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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